receipt of such complaints by the State Government.

(d) Does not arise.

Open Drainage System in Munirka

763. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that open drainage system in DDA flats in Munirka (South Delhi) is plagued by all sorts of environmental degradation, poor sewage facilities, non-removal of garbage/waste products from drains facing streets of Phase-I particularly inside the B.C. Street giving rise to cases of dengue fever;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to issue instructions to DDA to undertake on the spot study of the colony; and

(c) the details of expenditure incurred during the last three years in this regard particularly in Munirka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) The Delhi Development Authority has informed that the flats at Munirka were constructed by DDA and the services of this colony were transferred to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi for maintenance in September, 1980. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi has intimated that the sewerage system, removal of garbage and desilting of open drains in the area is satisfactory.

(c) M.C.D. has informed that the expenditure incurred on DDA colony in Munirka during the last three years is as under:—

Year	Amount (Rs.)
1993-94	Nil
1994-95	Nil
1995-96	4,00,362/-

Auction System of New Petrol Pumps

764. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce the concept of auction for grant of new petrol pumps and diesel outlets;

(b) whether this proposal has been considered; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Sale of Electricity to Bangladesh

765. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bangladesh wants to buy electricity from India;

(b) if so, the details of the orders placed by Bangladesh;

(c) whether Government have a proposal to sell power to that country; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (d) Presently there is no arrangement for sale of power from India to Bangladesh. However, there is a proposal to prepare a feasibility report for power interconnection for exchange of power between India and Bangladesh. Some preliminary discussions were held with a Power Delegation of Bangladesh in September, 1996.

Western off-shore Oil Fields

766. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) by when the Western off-shore oil fields would become largely in-operative;

(b) whether Government have obtained vital statistics in this regard;

(c) whether any effort has been made to concentrate on the Eastern off-shore oil fields of Andhra Pradesh coast; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) At the current rate of withdrawals, the presently estimated reserves of oil in the Western Off-shore will last for about 21 years.

(b) All relevant data on different oil fields is collected and updated on a regular basis.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Government of India has offered discovered oil fields in the Eastern Off-shore basin including the Andhra Pradesh offshore for development by private sector/joint venture arrangements.

Export of Nuclear Power Plants

767. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Nuclear Power Corporation of India is going to form a consortium of Indian Companies, both in the public and the private sectors, to export nuclear power plants;

(b) if so, whether some countries have shown interest in India designed and built reactors using natural uranium as fuel;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the names of Indian companies which are likely to join the consortium;

(e) the sources of funds for the proposed consortium; and

(f) the names of the nuclear power plants which the NPC has set up in the past or is in the process of setting up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (e) No, Sir. Nuclear Power Corporation has taken the initiative in organisation the Indian industrial forum to serve as a common platform for exchanging information on nuclear technology and to promote the cause of nuclear power through active co-operation among the Department of Atomic Energy and other Government agencies, the nuclear industry and the public. The forum would mainly assist in exchange of information, increasing public awareness, promoting international co-operation, undertaking studies and publications, etc. Funds for these activities are proposed to be met through yearly membership fee, donation and sponsorship by the members of the forum. If the stage for actual co-operation on production or trade arises, the Forum can discuss the modalities.

(f) The nuclear power plants currently in operation are located at Tarapur (TAPS—1 & 2) in Maharashtra, Kota (RAPS—1 & 2) in Rajasthan, Madras (MAPS—1 & 2) in Tamil Nadu, Narora (NAPS—1 & 2) in U.P. and Kakrapar (KAPS—1 & 2) in Gujarat. The plants currently under construction are Kaiga—1 & 2 in Karnataka and Rajasthan—3 & 4. The projects proposed in the Ninth Five Year Plan are Tarapur—3 & 4, Kaiga—3 & 4 and Kudankulam—1 & 2 in Tamil Nadu.

Priority allotment of DDA Flats

768. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of DDA flats allotted on priority by empowered committee since its inception, till date, year-wise, alongwith the details of allottees, giving reasons for making allotments;

(b) the schemes under which the flats so allotted were constructed and what is the position of the waiting registrants;

(c) whether the allottees on priority basis were registered under any scheme; and